

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MOMENT

We invite all children and youth to participate in this intergenerational time of learning about Jesus.
Mary Whitson, Youth Teacher & Proclaimer
Mary Thronson, Children’s Teacher

**[All] O God, we thank you for blessing us with the gift of children.
May they learn the stories of Jesus. May we share their joy. Amen.**

A TIME OF PRAYER

Call to Prayer	“Open Our Eyes Lord”	TFWS #2086
Prayer/Lord's Prayer		
Response	“Jesus, Name Above All Names”	TFWS #2071

SERMON The Stone the Builders Rejected

OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission		
Offertory	“Be The Centre”	Michael Frye
Doxology/Prayer of Dedication*		

COMMUNION “No Other Name” Robert Gay

CLOSING HYMN* “Cornerstone”

BENEDICTION*

[All] May we go now as people who have received much. Care for what has been entrusted to us. Seek justice, practice mercy and make room for new growth. May the God who plants, the Christ who calls us to bear fruit, and the Spirit who brings new life go with us, now and always. Amen.

RESPONSE “My Hope Is Built” (Vs 1) No. 368

POSTLUDE “Blessed Assurance” Phoebe P. Knapp

Assisting in today's service – Pastor: Rev. Wesley Thompson
Liturgist: Carolyn Anderson, **Organ:** Brad Bettencourt, **Sound Tech:** Video: Alex Paredes, **Piano/Keyboard:** Dennis Eiler, **Song Leader:** Tricia Stewart
Ushers & Greeters: Gary & Carol Gary, Rose Ann Stiener, Judy Neufeld.
Sacristan: Lorie Ford, **Communion Stewards:** Nancy Gerrish, Jean Cawelti, Jack & Christina Cuddy,



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Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors
The People of The United Methodist Church



Informal Order of Service 8:30 a.m.

OPENING PRAISE	“A New Hallelujah”
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	
PRAISE SONGS	“All Who Trust” “Once Again” “Bless The Lord Oh My Soul”
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	
ILLUMINATION	“This Is Amazing Grace”
SCRIPTURE	Matthew 21:33-46
SERMON	The Stone the Builders Rejected
OFFERING	“Trust And Obey”
COMMUNION SONG	“Create In Me A Clean Heart”
FINAL BLESSING	“Cares Chorus”
CLOSING	“To A Thousand Generations”

Assisting in today's service – Pastor: Rev. Wesley Thompson,
Liturgist: Sharon Roemer, **Praise Team Leader:** Mike Clark,
Acoustic Guitar’s: Mike Clark, Deb Bradley, **Piano/Keyboard:** Dennis Eiler,
Bass Guitar: Bob Jorstad, **Vocalists:** Deb Bradley, Connie Clark, Pam Garza,
Drum: Xander Thompson, **Sacristan:** Lorie Ford, **Communion Steward:** Dave Bolterman,
Ushers & Greeters: Dave & Dorine Bolterman.

Traditional Order of Service 10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE	“How He Loves“	John Mark McMillan
INTROIT	“O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing” (Vs 1)	No. 57
CALL TO WORSHIP*	[Liturgist] The lost and the lonely, the broken and breaking, the tired and the aching who long for nourishment found at your feast. The done and the doubting, the wishing and wondering, the puzzled and pondering who long for the company found at your feast. [All] GATHER US IN! [Liturgist] The proud and pretentious, the sure and superior, the never inferior who long for the leveling found at your feast. The bright and the bustling, the stirrers, the shakers, the kind laughter makers who long for the deeper joys found at your feast. [All] GATHER US IN! [Liturgist] From corner or limelight, from mansion or campsite, from fears and obsession, from tears and depression, from untold excesses, from treasured successes, to meet, to eat, to be given a seat, be joined to the vine, be offered new wine, become like the least, be found at the feast. [All] GATHER US IN!	
OPENING HYMN*	“Grace Alone”	TFWS #2162

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER
[All] God of the vineyard, You plant, nurture and sustain.
You entrust Your world to our care and invite us to share in its flourishing.
Gather us now, turn our attention from what we possess; to what we have received,
and make us ready to bear good fruit.

CHOIR ANTHEM	“One Bread, One Body”	No. 620
SCRIPTURE	Matthew 21:33-46	

Matthew 21:33-46

The Parable of the Tenants in the Vineyard

33 “Listen to another parable,” Jesus said. “There was once a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a hole for the wine press, and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to tenants and left home on a trip. 34 When the time came to gather the grapes, he sent his slaves to the tenants to receive his share of the harvest. 35 The tenants grabbed his slaves, beat one, killed another, and stoned another. 36 Again the man sent other slaves, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. 37 Last of all he sent his son to them. ‘Surely they will respect my son,’ he said. 38 But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the owner's son. Come on, let's kill him, and we will get his property!’ 39 So they grabbed him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. 40 “Now, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” Jesus asked. 41 “He will certainly kill those evil men,” they answered, “and rent the vineyard out to other tenants, who will give him his share of the harvest at the right time.” 42 Jesus said to them, “Haven't you ever read what the Scriptures say? ‘The stone which the builders rejected as worthless turned out to be the most important of all. This was done by the Lord; what a wonderful sight it is!’ 43 “And so I tell you,” added Jesus, “the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce the proper fruits.” 44 [a] 45 The chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus' parables and knew that he was talking about them, 46 so they tried to arrest him. But they were afraid of the crowds, who considered Jesus to be a prophet. [a] **Matthew 21:44** Some manuscripts add verse 44: Whoever falls on this stone will be cut to pieces; and if the stone falls on someone, it will crush him to dust (see **Lk 20.18**).

HOSPITALITY: Today hosted by Finance October 11 th will be hosted by Joy Circle						
ATTENDANCE						STEWARDSHIP
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN- PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	Weekly Needed \$7,740
Sep 06	47	51	98	30	128	\$6,092
Sep 13	44	78	122	46	168	\$10,318
Sep 20	50	77	127	28	155	\$5,611
Sep 27	40	87	127		127	\$2,935
YTD Received: \$84,635			(Nepal) \$1,250		YTD Needed: \$100,620	
142 ND Anniversary \$578						

Weekly Events:

Mon.	6:00pm	Gerry's Quilt Class, Criswell Hall
Tue	9:00am	Tai Chi, Criswell Hall
	10:00am	Sew ‘n Sews & Crafts, McMillen Rm #113
	11:00am	Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall
	5:00pm	Bell Choir, Rm #115
	7:00pm	Trustees, McMillen Rn #113
	7:30pm	Friendly Neighborhood Big Band Rehearsal, Criswell Hall
Wed.	9:00am	Church Work Morning
	10:00am	Fellowship Ministry, Library
	5:30pm	Daughter’s of Grace Circle, Library
	5:30pm	Worship Team, McMillen Rm #113
	6:00pm	Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thu.	9:00am	Fast walking & Tai Chi, Criswell Hall
	10:30am	Staff Parish, McMillen Rm #113
	11:00am	Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall
	11:30am	Nominations Committee, McMillen Rm #113
	5:00pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal, Rm #115
Fri.	10:00am	Knitting & Crocheting Parks & Recreation, Criswell Hall
Sun.	8:30am	Informal Worship Service
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service
	3:00pm	Friendly Neighborhood Band Concert

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat.	Oct. 17	Youth Group, Adults 3pm, Youth 4pm, Dinner 5:30pm.
Sun.	Oct. 25	Alternative Christmas Boutique, after both services.
Sun.	Oct. 25	Movie Night, 4pm, ET
Mon.	Oct. 26	Little Pink Houses of Hope dinner.
Fri-Sun. Nov 6-8 Holiday Boutique 9am-2pm, Friday & Saturday. Sunday after both services.		
Sat.	Nov. 14	John Lindsey presentation on El Nino,10:30.
Sat.	Nov. 14	Youth Group, Adults 3pm, Youth 4pm, Dinner 5:30pm.
Sun.	Nov. 15	Boutique - Last Chance after both services.
Sat.	Nov. 21	Free Golf Lessons for Youth Group at Monarch Dunes Golf Course, 2-4pm.
Sat.	Dec. 5	Holiday Extravaganza Talent Show, 5-7pm.
Sun.	Dec. 6	Friendly Neighborhood Band Concert, 3pm.
Tue.	Dec. 8	Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, 1pm. Advance on-line signup required.
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